

SENATE CHAMBER, }
AUSTIN, TEXAS, Friday, January 27, 1871. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment; Hon. Don Campbell, President, in the chair.

Roll called; quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and corrected, to include the motion of Senator Flanagan: to amend the rules of the Senate by striking out rule 14, which was adopted.

The journal, as corrected, was adopted.

Under direction of the President, the Secretary carried to the House (House bill No. 87) "An act to discontinue the Criminal Court of the city of San Antonio, and to transfer the causes pending therein," informing the House that the Senate had passed the same.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Report of Committee on Internal Improvements:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, January 27, 1871.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 40, entitled "An act incorporating the Texas Coal and Mining Company," have had the same under consideration, and after careful examination, beg leave to report favorably, and respectfully ask that it do pass.

WEBSTER FLANAGAN,
Chairman.

Read, and laid over under the rules.

Report of Committee on Engrossed Bills:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, January 27, 1871.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, having examined and compared Senate bill No. 41, entitled "An act to authorize railroad

companies to regulate the guages of their roads," find the same to be correctly engrossed.

G. T. RUBY,
E. L. DOHONEY,
P. W. HALL.

Report read and received.

The Secretary carried Senate bill No. 41 to the House for concurrence.

Report of Committee on Finance:

COMMITTEE ROOM,
AUSTIN, January 26, 1871.

Hon. DON CAMPBELL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 20, entitled "An act to incorporate the Bank of Texas," have had the same under careful consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. SAYLOR,
Chairman.

Read, and laid over under the rules.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Dohoney: "An act (Senate bill No. 47) to incorporate Lamar Female Seminary."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Also, "An act (Senate bill No. 48) requiring land certificates and field notes to be returned to the General Land Office."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands.

By Senator Pettit: "An act (Senate bill No. 49) transferring the settlement of the estate of James H. Leaverton, deceased, from the District Court of Anderson county to District Court of Houston county."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Pyle: "An act (Senate bill No. 50) to incorporate the Powell Bridge Company, in Navarro county, Texas."

Read first time.

On motion of Senator Bowers, the rules were suspended and bill read second time and passed to engrossment; and on motion of Sen-

ator Pyle, rules were further suspended and bill read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—Baker, Bell, Bowers, Clark, Cole, Dillard, Dohoney, Douglas, Evans, Flanagan, Ford, Fountain, Gaines, Hall, Hildebrandt, Latimer, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Pridgen, Pyle, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Shannon, Tendick, Mr. President—28.

Nays—None.

By Senator Parsons: An act (Senate Bill No 51) amendatory of Article 268 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Ruby moved that the resolution offered by Senator Baker yesterday relative to the seat of J. E. Dillard, be adopted.

Senator Pickett moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "and determine," which was accepted.

Senator Bowers moved to amend by striking out the words "and proof."

[Senator Fountain in the chair.]

Amendment of Senator Bowers adopted.

On motion of Senator Saylor, the resolution was adopted as amended.

By Senator Flanagan: "An act (Senate bill No. 53) for the relief of Helen F. Clark, widow of Gaylord J. Clark, late judge of the Twenty-fifth Judicial District."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Bowers: "An act (Senate bill No. 52) for the protection of Immigrant Labor Contracts; also, 'An act (Senate bill No. 54) to repeal the third section, and to amend the second section of an act to regulate the sale of lands under the decrees of courts,' " approved August 13, 1870.

Bills read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Senator Flanagan: "An act (Senate bill No. 55) to incorporate the East Texas Cotton, Woolen and Cotton Seed Oil Manufacturing Company."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

"An act (Senate bill No. 46) to provide for the defense of a certain suit therein named."

Read second time.

Senator Pickett moved that the bill pass to engrossment.

Senator Pridgen moved that the whole matter be referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Lost.

Senator Bell moved to refer the whole matter to Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

Lost.

Question recurring on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were called for; result as follows:

Yeas—Bowers, Cole, Dillard, Flanagan, Fountain, Hall, Hildebrandt, Mills, Parsons, Pettit, Pickett, Rawson, Ruby, Saylor, Tendick, Mr. President—16.

Nays—Baker, Bell, Broughton, Dohoney, Douglas, Evans, Ford, Gaines, Pridgen, Pyle, Shannon—11.

Bill passed to engrossment.

On motion of Senator Mills the Senate adjourned to 11 A. M. tomorrow.
